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Applicant:	Glen S. Axelrod	Examiner:	Kimberly S. Smith
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Title:	"ANIMAL CHEW CONTAINING HARD AND SOFT CHEWING SURFACES"		
Docket No.:	TFH028U	Customer No.:	32047

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**AMENDMENT D AND**  
**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**

Dear Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Final Office Action mailed April 10, 2008 and is accompanied by a Request For Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114. Authorization for credit card payment of the RCE fee is being filed via EFS.

As this response is being submitted within the three-month shortened statutory period for reply, no extension of time is believed necessary. Applicant conditionally petitions for an extension of time to provide for the possibility that the need for such a petition has been inadvertently overlooked. As provided below, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-2121 for any required fee, or for any deficiency in the enclosed fee.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.

Re-examination and reconsideration is requested.